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Office of the General Manager

Mr. Andrew Seligman (3WP42)
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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RE: INFORMATION REQUIREMENT, Section 308 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1318 to Washington Aqueduct, 5900 MacArthur Boulevard, Washington, DC 20016, Baltimore District, US Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Mr. Seligman:

The following information is submitted in accordance with the subject request for information letter dated January 6, 2016. In our February 12, 2016, letter to you we said we would send monthly updates as of the 15th of the month reporting on dredging activity at the Georgetown sedimentation basins in the prior 30 days.

This update is for the period February 15 through March 14, 2016.

No in-house dredging has occurred since the last report.

On March 10, 2016, our contractor completed repairs to one of the frayed cable (the one in basin #2) to which the dredges make an overhead connection for transverse travel. We have placed one of our in-house dredges into basin #2 and have calibrated the control systems after the long period being out of service. Dredging in basin #2 using our in-house dredge can resume as soon as Monday, March 21st. The repairs to the frayed overhead cable in basin #1 are continuing this week. The dredge that will be placed in basin #1 needs a replacement slurry pump seal, and that part is on order. When the seal arrives and is replaced, that dredge will be available for service in basin #1. Because basin #2 has received most of the incoming raw water and coagulant, there is very little sediment in basin #1 at this time.

To make up for the time that the we were unable to dredge basin #2, we are issuing a contract to have a manually-operated dredge brought to the site that will have the capability to remove the sediment from outside the range of the in-house cable-guided dredge. We expect that contractor to be on site on or around April 4, 2016. While here, he will clean the entire

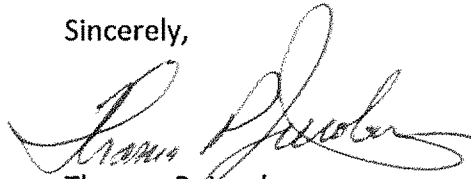
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basin to give our in-house dredging operations a clean bottom to start from. That work is likely to be complete by the end of June. During this time we will be training the newly designated individuals who will assume operations of the in-house dredges at Georgetown.

I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this submission to be true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations. I certify as having responsibility for the persons who, acting under my direct instruction, made the verification that is information is true, accurate, and complete.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Thomas P. Jacobus', written in a cursive style.

Thomas P. Jacobus
General Manager

cc: Mr. James Bemis